Gap fills exercise

Complete the following sentences using an appropriate word or phrase.

1. She is …….. to refuse.

a) a polite person

b) too polite a person

c) a too polite person

2. I have …….. as you.

a) a voice as good

b) as good a voice

c) as good voice

3. I couldn’t afford to buy …….

a) that big a home

b) that a big home

c) Either could be used here

4. ……. is he?

a) How good a singer

b) How a good singer

c) How good singer

5. ……, you are wrong.

a) In my opinion

b) According to me

c) Either could be used here

6. I am interested ……..

a) in learning to paint

b) to learn painting

c) Either could be used here

7. It is important that everybody …….. comfortable.

a) feels

b) feel

c) should feel

d) Either ‘feel’ or ‘should feel’

8. She smiled ……

a) friendly

b) in a friendly way

9. The ball hit me …….. on the nose.

a) right

b) rightly

c) Either could be used here

10. Don’t ……

a) be afraid

b) fear

Answers

1. She is **too polite a person** to refuse.

2. I have **as good a voice** as you.

3. I couldn’t afford to buy **that big a home.**

4. **How good a singer** is he?

5. **In my opinion**, you are wrong.

6. I am interested **in learning to paint.**

7. It is important that everybody **feel / should feel** comfortable. (This is an example of a subjunctive.)

8. She smiled **in a friendly way.**

9. The ball hit me **right** on the nose.

10. Don’t **be afraid.**

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